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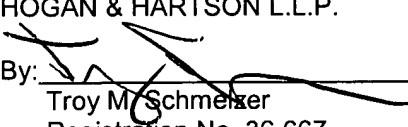
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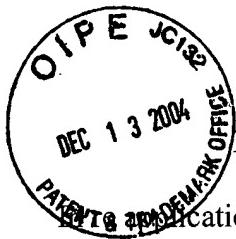
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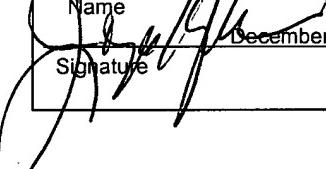
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Dear Sir:

Prior to the first Office Action in the present application, please enter and consider the following amendments and remarks:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 21 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 24 of this paper.